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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Speech Pathologists, Audiologists, and Hearing Aid

Dispensers

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, August 18, 2015, at 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: 09/15/2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Meredith Sullivan, Professional Member, Presiding Dr. Mary Ann Connolly-Gaskin, Professional Member Lisa Marencin, Professional Member Brian Whitaker, Public Member Kirsten Wolfington, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General David Mangler, Director Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Tonya Coats, Professional Member, President Heather Smith, Professional Member, Secretary William Doolittle, Public Member Dr. Jennifer Xenakes, Professional Member

ALSO PRESENT

Donald Whitaker

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Sullivan called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes - June 16, 2015

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the June 16, 2015 meeting. Ms. Wolfington made a motion, seconded by Mr. Whitaker, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Temporary Speech Pathologist Applications

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Dr. Connolly-Gaskin moved, seconded by Ms. Marencin, to ratify the following temporary speech pathologist applications, as all applicants have met the requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Ashley Dutcher Maria Eboli Brittany Finn Sara Grau Molly Harleman Mary Janiec Gina Kane Amy Morrisroe Paige O'Donnell Leah Scholder

Ratification of Permanent Speech Pathologist Applications

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin moved, seconded by Ms. Marencin, to ratify the following permanent speech pathologist applications, as the applicants have met the requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Alyssa Crum	Michaela Cullington	Kaitlyn Dowd	Kathy Farber
Kate Farrigan	Brienna Faust	Michelle Fillioe	Kristi Hepburn
Bridget Keegan	Bridget Kelly	Jennifer Kelly	Emily Kolakowski
Suzanne Krueger	Robyn McElwee	Amanda McGinnis	Jennifer Moore
Brittany O'Shea	Andrew Peach	Grady Redmond	Jane Reiley
Natasha Sutton	Erin Willis	•	•

Ratification of Temporary Speech Pathologist Licensure Extension Request

Ms. Wolfington moved, seconded by Mr. Whitaker, to ratify the following temporary speech pathologist licensure extension request. Motion unanimously carried.

Grady Redmond

Ratification of Audiologist Applications

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin moved, seconded by Ms. Marencin, to ratify the following audiologist applications, as the applicants have met the requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Jonathan Brittian Alisha Latham Shekinah Mast

Ratification of Temporary Hearing Aid Dispenser Application

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin moved, seconded by Ms. Wolfington, to ratify the following temporary hearing aid dispenser application, as the applicant has met the requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Emily Garrett

Ratification of Inactive Status Request

Ms. Marencin moved, seconded by Ms. Wolfington, to ratify the following request for inactive status. Motion unanimously carried.

Jenny Shao

Review of Permanent Speech Pathologist Applications (Full Board Review Required)

The Board reviewed the permanent speech pathologist application for Kathy Zabel. Ms. Wolfington moved, seconded by Ms. Marencin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

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The Board reviewed the permanent speech pathologist application for Natalie DeWitt. Mr. Whitaker moved, seconded by Ms. Wolfington, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the permanent speech pathologist application for Emily Overbaugh. Mr. Whitaker moved, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Request for Hardship Extension

The Board reviewed the request for a hardship extension, submitted by Jill Huggins. Mr. Whitaker moved, seconded by Ms. Marencin, to grant a hardship extension with the following conditions: Ms. Huggins must submit proof of the required 30 CE's for Ms. Sullivan to review, no later than August 31, 2015. Once Ms. Sullivan deems the CE's acceptable, the hold will be released on Ms. Huggins' license. Motion unanimously carried.

<u>Continuing Education – Review of Submitted Activities</u>

Ms. Marencin moved, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the following continuing education activities as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Sponsor: Bayada Home Health Care Approved for 3.0 PG Hours and 3.0 CS Hours
Activity: Physical & Cognitive Performance: Translating Evidence to Comprehensive Clinical Practice
Contact Hours: 6.0

Discussion Regarding Post-Renewal Continuing Education Audit

Ms. Williams requested that the Board determine the percentage of licensees that will be selected for the post-renewal continuing education audit. The Board decided to randomly select 10% of all licensees, and to automatically select all late renewers for the post-renewal continuing education audit.

Discussion Regarding Potential Statutory Revisions

Ms. Kelly advised the Board that during the June 16, 2015 meeting, there were a few concerns regarding the current statutory language. Ms. Kelly requested that the Board be prepared to discuss any problematic statutory language during the September 15, 2015 meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin advised the Board that she was recently contacted by the governor's office, and her last meeting will be the November 17, 2015 meeting. She requested that if anyone is aware of an audiologist that is interested in serving on the Board, that they contact the governor's office.

Mr. Whitaker advised the Board that he wanted to make them aware of current shortages at the VA, and that veterans may be seeking services within the private sector due to the shortages. Ms. Sullivan informed Mr. Whitaker that the VA is reaching out the private sector to schedule appointments, when they cannot see patients within a timely matter. Ms. Sullivan assured Mr. Whitaker that the Board is aware of the current shortages and the need for SLP's in Delaware.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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There was no public comment.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 2:00 p.m., in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin moved, seconded by Ms. Marencin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica M. Williams

Administrative Specialist II